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BROWNBACK PRAISES WIRELESS SAFETY BILL

WASHINGTON -- U.S. Sen. Sam Brownback today at a Capitol Hill news conference offered praise for the 'Wireless Communications and Public Safety Act of 1999' or the 'E911 bill' of which he is a cosponsor. The bill was authored by U.S. Sen. Conrad Burns.

"Today, we hail the signing of the E911 bill," Brownback said. "This legislation will establish the process through which 911 will be designated as the national uniform emergency wireless telephone number.

"This law will reduce the response time for the delivery of emergency services, thereby saving lives and reducing the severity of injuries. It will improve coordination among local public safety, law enforcement, and emergency service personnel. Additionally, the E911 bill will enable the wireless telecommunications industry to make valuable contributions to public safety.

"I applaud Senator Burns for authoring and then championing this legislation as it moved to the president's desk. His efforts will truly save lives on our nation's highways," Brownback said.